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Howard Road Historic District
Isaac Boston House
1004 Howard Road
Washington
District of Columbia

HABS No. DC-395-B

PHOTOGRAPHS

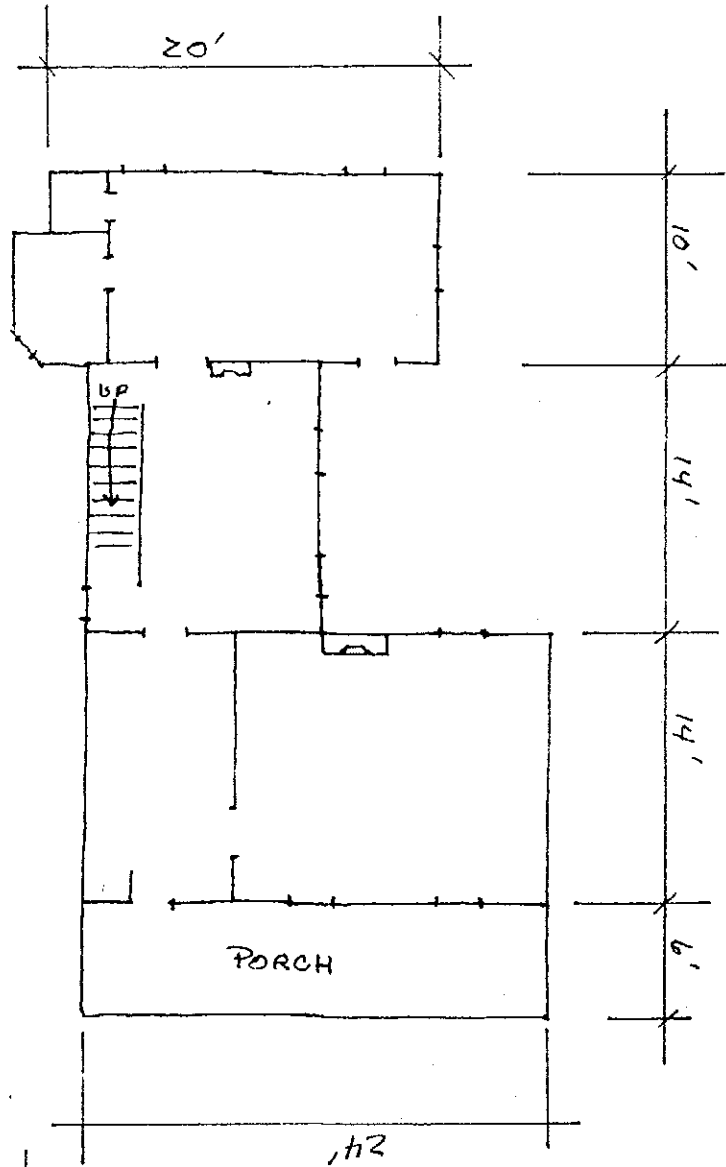
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE District of Columbia	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Isaac Boston House (tax records)		HABS NO. DC-395-B
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1004 Howard Road, Washington, D.C.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) c. 1880 (physical features)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This is one of two vernacular I-house forms in the Howard Road Historic District. Examination of foundations suggests that the side-gable main block represents an expansion of the present rear ell. Property was originally owned by Daniel Boston, passing to his son, Isaac, in 1875. It remained in the Boston family until 1907.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Balloon frame; main block rests on brick foundation, ell rests on wood sill supported on randomly placed bricks; exterior covered with drop siding beneath synthetic shingling		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) (see sketched floor plan); two stories, side-gable single-pile main block and two-story rear ell, overall dimensions 24' x 44'; one-story shed-roofed kitchen unit across rear		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Full-length front porch with factory-turned posts; 6/6 wood d.h.s., cornice broken with triangular gable above entrance; three-bay facade, entrance to left of center, features glazed transom panel.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Staircase in rear ell features square balusters and newel with chamfered top corners and turned ball finial; wooden fireplace mantel in living room has turned and reeded elements and console brackets; reeded door surrounds present in first floor front rooms.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1905- roof of rear wing raised 3 feet dates unknown- 1-story, slant-roofed kitchen unit added at rear; house covered with synthetic shingle siding		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE House is occupied as a residence, but is in very deteriorated condition.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Documentation prepared by Louis Berger & Associates, Inc., for Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority in compliance with a Memorandum of Agreement with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Washington township tax assessments 1871-1900; building permit #891, 9/26/05; determined eligible for the National Register as part of the Howard Road Historic District.		
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